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SUBJECT:R/V SNOW GOOSE CLEARANCE REQUEST, JUNE 1977

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1. THE R/V SNOW GOOSE, A PRIVATE VESSEL UNDER CHARTER TO THE US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, IS PLANNING TO CONDUCT ANOTHER RESEARCH CRUISE IN THE STRAIT OF JUAN DE FUCA WHICH IS IDENTICAL TO THE CRUISE CONDUCTED IN APRIL 1977. THE RESEARCH IS DESIGNED TO DETERMINE THE ABUNDANCE, SPECIES COMPOSITION, AND SEASONAL VARIANCE OF ICHTHYOPLANKTON, ZOOPLANKTON, AND PHYTOPLANKTON. THE OBJECTIVE IS TO DETERMINE THE MARINE RESOURCES SUBJECT TO DAMAGE IN THE EVENT OF AN OIL SPILL. IDENTICAL CRUISES WILL ALSO BE CONDUCTED DURING 9-11 AUG 1977 AND 18-20 OCT 1977.

2. INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR CLEARANCE REQUEST IS PROVIDED BELOW (IDENTICAL TO REFTEL):
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A. NINE STATIONS IN THREE CROSS-CHANNEL TRANSECTS WILL BE OCCUPIED. AT THE THREE STATIONS IN CANADIAN WATERS OBLIQUE TOWS WILL BE MADE IN THE UPPER 50 M TO SAMPLE FISH EGGS AND LARVE. WATER SAMPLES WILL BE TAKEN FOR PHYTOPLANKTON SPECIES AND CHLOROPHYLL ANALYSES. A STATION LOCATION

CHART WILL BE POUCHED SEPARATELY.

B. THE CHIEF SCIENTIST IS JERRY D. LARRANCE OF THE PACIFIC MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY AND THE CAPTAIN OF SNOW GOOSE IS BENJAMIN ROOT. THERE IS A CREW OF 3 AND SCIENTIFIC PARTY OF 3. THE SMALL SIZE OF THE VESSEL PRECLUDES INVITING GOC PARTICIPATION. SNOW GOOSE IS 99 GROSS TONS, 70 FT. LONG AND HAS A DRAFT OF 7 FT. RADIO CALL SIGN IS WYW 8042.

C. ALL DATA RESULTS WILL BE SHARED WITH GOC.

D. RESEARCH WILL BE CONDUCTED APPROXIMATELY 1-3 JUNE 1977.

3. ACTION: EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO SEEK CLEARANCE FOR R/V SNOW GOOSE TO CONDUCT MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN GOC WATERS FOR PERIOD 1-3 JUNE 1977. ADDITIONALLY, IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO OBTAIN CLEARANCE FOR 9-11 AUG AND 18-20 OCT 1977 CRUISES IF THIS DOES NOT POSE A PROBLEM. GOC COULD BE NOTIFIED A FEW WEEKS IN ADVANCE OF STARTING DATES TO RECONFIRM OUR INTENTIONS.
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